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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED  
UNAVOIDABLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(a)**

Docket Number (Optional)  
SJ0919970115US1

First named inventor: **Francie Lee**

Group Art Unit: 2754

Application Number: 09/219,195

Examiner: **Angel A. Castro**

Filed: **December 21, 1998**

Title: **INTERCONNECT MODULE FOR USE IN A SUSPENSION ASSEMBLY**

Attention: Office of Petitions  
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- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee--required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995, and for all design applications; and
- (4) Adequate showing of the cause of unavoidable delay

**1. Petition fee**

☐ small entity - fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (37 CFR 1.17(l)). Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.

☒ other than small entity - fee \$ 110 (37 CFR 1.17(l)).

**2. Reply and/or fee**

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- ☐ A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for a small entity of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

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(In the space provided below, please explain in detail the reasons for the delay in filing a proper reply)

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Dear Examiner:

Please refer to the following description explaining in detail the reasons for the unavoidable delay in filing a proper reply to the Advisory Action dated August 8, 2002 and the Notice of Abandonment dated December 17, 2002.

## REMARKS

The unavoidable delay in properly responding to the Advisory Action and Notice of Abandonment was a result of the manner in which official USPTO communications were transmitted to Applicants. As outlined in the table below, Applicants executed a Power of Attorney and Change of Address that were enclosed with Applicants' response to the non-final Office Action dated October 2, 2001 and mailed to the USPTO on February 2, 2002. Despite the Change of Address executed by the Applicants, the USPTO continued to direct official communications directly to the formerly responsible representative instead of to the undersigned patent attorney.

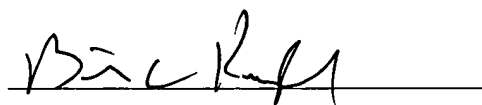
<u>OFFICIAL DATE</u>	<u>TYPE OF COMMUNICATION</u>
12/21/98	Application Filed
10/02/01	Non-final Office Action
02/04/02	Response to Non-final Office Action, including Power of Attorney and Change of Address
05/22/02	Final Office Action
07/22/02	Response to Final Office Action
08/28/02	Advisory Action, sent to Client; copy received by Attorney from Client after Status Request and Notice of Abandonment
12/06/02	Status Request
12/17/02	Notice of Abandonment, sent to Client; copy received by Attorney from Client
01/03/03	Approximate date of receipt by Attorney from Client of Advisory Action and Notice of Abandonment.

The Advisory Action and Notice of Abandonment were sent directly to the formerly responsible representative. The undersigned patent attorney did not receive a copy of either the Advisory Action or the Notice of Abandonment until he initiated a Status Request to inquire about the prosecution status of the present application. By the time the undersigned became aware of the Advisory Action and Notice of Abandonment, both documents had been generated and sent by the USPTO to the formerly responsible representative.

Given the circumstances surrounding the prosecution of the present application, Applicants respectfully assert that the delay in responding to the Advisory Action was unavoidable. Applicants request prompt revival of the present application and submit the reply required by 37 CFR 1.137(a)(1) with this petition.

Should additional information be required regarding these remarks or if any impediments to the prompt acceptance of the petition for revival can be resolved by a telephone conversation, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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